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ONDAY MORNING DECEMBER 24, 1866 TO MEMBERS OF CORGRESS

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THE VERDICT OF THE PEOPLE-HOW IT WAS OBTAINED, AND WHY IT WAS NOT DIFFERENT.

The returns of the "National Union party" not yet having been received at this office since the October and November elections, we are unable, as one of the organs of that great party-great in its principles and estimate our own strength, purposes—to estimate our own strength fully; therefore we will not assume to dictate to the Radical leaders in Congress, but will rather content ourselves, as independen journalists, with the high privilege granted us in the "ten mile square," of being a mere "looker-on here in Vienna." Occupying that position, it is quite interesting to behold the majority party in Congress, flushed with recent victories secured by such enormous majorities as to make them forget the awful responsibilities imposed upon them by the

people.

They forget that they obtained the most relative by persisten. important of those victories by persistent misrepresentation of the position of the Administration, by the utterance, dpon every stump, from Maine to California, of the most infamously cruel falsehoods about the public acts and social habits of the President, some of the basest of which time and the publirecords have already exploded to the consternation of the evil inventors, and to the great astonishment and enlightenment of the intelligent, honest-thinking people of

They forget that they studiously taught the people to believe that ANDREW JOHNSON endeavoring to obtain despotic sway, and that on the assembling of Congress on the 3d of this month he would secure to Senators and Representatives of the ten unrepresented Southern States their seats with the aid of Federal bayonets-a damnable lie which no one of the Radical newspapers have yet had respect enough for the nation or themselves to acknowledge, but which the people have not forgotten to observe did not take place!

They forget that they told the people tha "Joursey would resist Congress and revive the rebellion," and that the people now see how they were cheated by such libellers of

THE PRESIDENT.

They forget that they told the people that
THE PRESIDENT did not want JEFF DAVIS
tried for treason, and that the now found out by the record that he has used every effort in his power to bring the arch traitor to trial, but the Judiciary would not

They forget that they told the people that ANDREW JOHNSON was turning all the Re-publicans out of office and putting Copperheads in their places, and that such ments have been refuted, first, by the hun-dreds of names of gallant soldiers recently sent into the Senate for confirmation, many of whom have the endorsements of the least ing Radicals in the land; secondly, by the fact that four-fifths of all the employees who held offices in the several Department of the Government when ANDREW JOHNSON assumed the duties of President hold their

They forget that in the midst of their hate and madness, with unblushing faces, they told the people that Andrew Johnson was a party to the assassination of ABBAHAN Lixcols, a statement so disgracefully in-famous that it has plagued its inventors message was not dictatorial or threatening, famous that it has plagued its inventors more than it ever could injure THE PRESI-

They forget that they told the people that Annasw Jounson was a drunkard, and that abandoned women were in the daily habit of visiting the White House, obtaining pardons for rebels from THE PRESIDENT, and selling them-a fabrication as base as the men who uttered it.

They forget that they told the people that ANDREW JOHNSON and WILLIAM H. SEWARD knew where John H. Schraft was secreted that very time, as has been subsequently ence. thorized agents of the Government, under the greatest emburrassments, had been steadily pursuing him with a vigilance never be fore equalled, and which resulted in his final capture in far-off Egypt!

They forget that they told the people that ANDREW JOHNSON caused the bloody riot in New Orleans on the 30th of July, 1866, who the official papers show that the radicals only friend and sympathizer in the Cabinet-EDWIN M. STANTON-neither answered Gen Barno's dispatch of the 28th of July, received two days before the riot, asking for instructions at once by telegraph," nor per mitted THE PRESIDENT to see it, that he might answer it, and thereby have prevented the riot and that Mr. Stanton therefore should be held responsible for the riot and bloodshed in New Orleans in July last.

They forget that they told the people, in secret circulars, that ANDREW JOHNSON WA engaged in a plot to destroy the majority of Republican members of Congress by railroad accidents or poison!

They forget that they told the people tha he was in league with the Pope, and was preparing to establish him permanently in this

They forget that they told the people that Andrew Johnson was a usurper; that he had committed high crimes and misdemeanors, and on the first day of the present session articles of impeachment against him

would be introduced into the House. They forget all these, not to say unwar-rantable and undignified, but infamously wicked and utterly false assertions. Such has been the stock in trade with which the public mind has been filled by the radical jury did not agree. Macponal was a press and orators during the whole of the of the good people last canvass until many come to think that the Chief Executive of

throne and has cloven feet and horns on his

head—a complete devil.

The people will not forget these It was through them that a terrible prejudice was wrought up against Tes Passiners, until have what is now called "the verdict of

the people."

The facts were not presented to the people The fact that ANDREW JOHNSON only desired loyalists, who could take the required oath, to be admitted to either house of Congress was denied by the radicals on the stump was denied by the radicals on the stump. Read his messages for the proof. The fact that he was in favor of granting qualified suffrage to colored men was also denied by the radicals. Read his official papers on that

ubject for the proof.

Taking advantage of the treachery of the Democratic leaders who went to Philadelphia and made solemn pledges and then re-turned to their several States and violated them, the radicals rang the changes, and swore that Mr. Jourson has gone over to the Democratic party, and was doing all he could to return it to power in the country. The people, overwhelmed with these false declarations, believed them. This contribu-ted to aid the rendering of the verdict of the

people.

If the old Democratic leaders who went to Philadelphia, leaving the Democratic party and joining the "National Union party," had acted in good faith in New York State and nominated Gen. Drx, does any sensible man doubt that the "verdict of the people" would have been rendered in favor of that distinguished soldier and statesman! Then is it not clear that in that State trickery prevented the great Jury of the Empire State from having the case fully before them as it was prepared by the dele-gates of all the people of all the States assembled at Philadelphia? Hence their verdict" was the choice of two evils-they preferred the Republican FENTON to the Copperhead HOFFMAN.

Had the Democratic leaders, who joined the "National Union party," kept faith in Pennsylvania, CLYMER would have been the good cause of moderation, conciliation withdrawn, a war Democrat like PACKARD or a soldier like HANCOCK or MEADE would have been nominated in his place, and the people of that State would have rendered a verdict in October in favor of the National Union candidate. This is to well understood to be

So, between the lying radicals and the faithless locofoco hacks, who were pampered so long upon Government pap that they do not hesitate to falsify their word at any time to regain what they lost, the National Union party was worse than defeated, it was actually ignored at the polls.

Now what do the people behold. The Democratic party routed, horse, foot and dragoons, with most of the rank and file either killed or badly wounded, and its leaders covered with dismay and dishonor and spurned by all honest men. Thank God for

The people witness the assembling of Con-They treat THE PRESIDENT with progress. found respect, if we except only THAD. STEVENS. Instead of impeaching they send joint committee of the two Houses to him to say that they are organized and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make. He receives them court ously, treats them cordially, and they reciprocate the compliment each by shaking the hand of the man they had so recently mis-represented. He notifies them that he will communicate in writing, and forthwith sends in his message. It was received, and, not-withstanding Than. Stevens offered an insult to the whole country by moving an adjournment to prevent its reading, he was promptly rebuked by a vote of the House, and the message was read, receiving the respectful attention of the members and crowded galleries. Upon arriving at the Capitol the Senators and Representatives ound no Southern members forcing their way into the building under the escort of but firm, clear and statesmanlike. Busines begins. The machinery runs as of old. No "Mares' nests" are discovered. Investiga tions, one after another, arise, only to confound the radicals and vindicate THE PRESI DEST. The "terror-stricken" members who came to the capital whispering, "What is THE PRESIDENT going to do?" had discovered

that he was minding his own business, some-thing which it is difficult for Congress to do festive holidays approach, and the and refused to cause his arrest, when at thoughts of mince pie and roast turkey make the members forget the usurper in the White ouse, and, presto change tion Congress adjourns, leaving a non-impeached, corrupt, wicked man, guilty of all the high crimes nameable in the calendar, actually in power, his appointed "cop perheads" still holding office. Congress ha gone home to Christmas.

We are curious to learn what the people will think of and say about this extraordinary spectacle after the statements with which their ears have been filled during the last six months. Truly this is a great country. We await the returns of the "National Union

WALL'S NEW OPERA HOUSE .- "Sam," with Mr. F. S. QUANFRAU in the initial role, will be performed at the Opera House this even-It will be strongly cast, the vicacious part of "Laura" being assigned to Mrs. Ex-GREY also appearing in it. The play is be ing put upon the stage under the supervision of its able author, Mr. DE WALDEN. A mat nce will be given on Christmas day, when Mr. MORTIMER will appear in his celebrated role of "Bagshot." The new sensational, telegraphic, yet domestic play of Boucicault The Long Strike," is in active preparation.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT announces the death, at Alexandria, Egypt, of Rev. John MAGUIRE, a Roman Catholic Priest, who was on his way to Jerusalem. His legal representatives can obtain further information of him from the State Department.

MADDEN, the Fenian tried at Sweetsburg. Canada, has been sentenced to be hung. the cases of TILLBURY and ALLOWAY, the quitted.

Tus Congressional excursion party had a good time in Knoxville, Tenn., Saturday, and the nation sits in the White House upon a proceeded to Chattanooga.

DANGER AHEAD.

Than. Startes has already given notice that on the reasonabling of Congress he will press to a vote his "Enabling act," which wipes out the existence of ten States in the Union, and provides for their erection into Territories. If this is not an attempt to ac-complish exactly what the rebels fought for, and exactly what our gallant Union boys suppose they fought to prevent, and did pre-vent—secession, or the disruption of the Union of the States—then we have mistaken the causes of the war and purposes of the Government in carrying it on and sup-pressing the rebellion.

The Albany Evening Journal, a strongly

radical paper, observing the dangerous, head noy of Mr. STEVENS in his leader ship in the National Legislature, says, with

ship in the National Legislature, says, with considerable force:

"There is a great and growing danger that in carrying forward the processes of reconstruction, a tendency will be constantly exhibited to go further and faster than the condition of the country, or the sentiment of the people warrants. The electors of the North have decided, and rightfully decided, that the governments of the Southern States are not republican in form, and that they should be made conformable to the Federal Constitution. This is a state of facts resulting from the condition in which those communities were left by war, and the action contemplated is justifiable only in view of the emergencies which were created by war, and the power that war conferred. But in recognizing the existing prerogatives of Congress, the people did not intend to confer power upon it to remodel the Government, reconstruct all the States of the Union, or revolutionize the system upon which it has thus far been maintained. If Thad, Stevens and his followers thus interpret the decision of the late elections, it will not take them long to discover that they have made a supreme mistake."

We agree with the Buffalo Commercial Advertiser that it would have been wiser in the Leurent of the second of the late of

Advertiser that it would have been wiser in the Journal if it had taken this moderate tone of policy earlier in the day, before the men whom it now condemns had grown into such prominence and influence in the party the good cause of moderation, conciliation and prudence, for which we have always earn

OUR CITY FINANCES.

On the first page our readers will find an elaborate detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures of the city government for the year ending June 30, 1866. We print this report of the Register to enable our citizens to examine the financial condition of the city, and to refute the charges that have been made by prominent members of the present Congress that no printed exhibit is made of the finances and no care taken to nlighten its citizens upon the subject. These reports are made annually to the City Coun-cils by the Register, and the present one gives a faithful exhibit of the general, special

We learn that Judge WAYNE, of the Supreme Court of the United States, will, under the recent decision of that tribunal against the right of military commissions to try citizens not in the military or naval service, asue a writ by which Dr. Mupp, one of the assassin conspirators, will be removed from confinement at the Dry Tortugas and brought sefore a civil tribunal for trial. Similar writs may issue in the cases of Spanoles, Assold and McLauguan, the other conspirators con-

Upon our outside to-day will be found an ble communication from the Washington correspondent of the San Francisco Alta California on the subject of suffrage in the District. While we do not agree fully with all that the writer says about the Southern States and the Constitutional amends we like the independent manner in which he treats the subject of suffrage, and commend the communication to our readers as worthy

A CORRESPONDENT of a New England paper risiting from Europe, throws out some thoughts which our financial statesmen would lo well to consider. Speaking of the premium on gold, he says with all the lumi ity of a Burnsley: " If the cause of this high rate lies in the redundancy of the currency they can reduce the amount of paper money afloat." He then shows how easy it would be to put down the rate of premiums as follows : "The American people, if they have bring a mind to exercise their wills, can down the price of gold and put up the value of the securities of the United States, and nance the value of every dollar of their property." The "bears" of Wall street ought immediately to bring all the pressure of their wills to bear upon the market without delay !

J. H. McGrz, United States Marshal for

ouisiana, is in town, at Willards'. HENRY D. COOKE, of the firm of Jay Cooks & Company, bankers, and W. S. Hunting-ton, cashier of the First National Bank of Washington, have gone to Philadelphia to spend Christman with Mr. Jay Cooke, at his residence on the

GEN. H. S. GANESVORT; Col. II. M. Lazelle, U. S. A.; Maj. Gen. James B. Steedman: Capt. John Hoff, U. S. A.; Col. P. B. Fouke, of Tenn.; Geo. Stanbery, Esq., of New York; Hon. Joshua Hill, of Georgia, are at the Metropolitan Hotel.

ACTIONABLE ... Joe Jefferson attracts crowds to the National Theatre every night, under the pre-tence that he can "act." The moment he appears on the stage, he says something which throws his audience into convulsions, and they remain in con-vulsions all the evening, and never get out of convalsions until they get out of the house, and then only to find their eyes suffused with tears, and their frames suffering with severe pains. The Superintendent of Police ought to interfere. Jefferon's course is actionable.

WERE & BEVERIDGE at Odd Fellows' Hall Seventh street, are selling punch-bowls and glasses, dinner sets, smoking paraphernalia, handsome plated goods and various articles suitable for holi-

THE MASONIC PAIR.—REVNOLD'S Campbell instrels are to appear at the grand Masonic Fai to-night in a series of humorous performances, cal-culated to amuse the dullest fellow in town.

Aτ Shaftsbury, Vt., a few days since, Geo. Fisher was mortally injured by a panther which he had shot, but only slightly wounded. The animal lacerated his side to shreds, tore his left arm from its socket, and injured him so that he lived but a

The National Republican. By the United States and European News Company FROM EUROPE BY CABLE

Stephens' Whereabouts Known. RUMORS FROM IRELAND. The French Troops in Mexico all to be

Withdrawn at Once.

MAJOR GENERAL DIX IN PARIS. RUMORED CONSPIRACY IN SPAIN GEN. SHERMAN'S POSITION He is Waiting For Orders. NEW ORLEANS INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE IMPORTANT FROM SOUTH AMERICA

THE PERUVIAN AND SPANISH WAR An Offensive Treaty With Paraguay. HEAVY ROBBERY IN PHILADELPHIA. FATAL AFFRAY IN KANSAS. THE MARKETS

Latest by Cable.

Longon, Dec. 22-noon,-There will be carcely any business done in this city on Monday. It will be observed as a holiday.
All classes are getting ready for Christmas.
London, Dec. 21.—The London Telegraph says it knows positively that Stephens is still in a foreign territory, and that the Gov-ernment is fully aware of his movements, so that should he land in any part of the Brit ish Isles, he would have but little time for

The Telegraph also says that the reports that scores of coffins have been buried in Ireland filled with the best breech-loaders are wild, but incapable of immediate disproof.

LONDON, Dec. 22—evening.—Peace meet-ings are being held in Ireland, and confidence is increasing in England that there will be

no Fenian troubles. It is said that the British Government will THE CONSPIRATORS AT THE require Spain to explain the seizure of the DRY TORTEGAS TO HAVE CIVIL TRIAL.

TRIAL.

FRANCE. Parts, Dec. 21 .- The Moniteur du Soi says all the steps have been taken for the evacuation of Mexico by the French troops

Panis, Dec. 22-Evening.-The Constitu tionnel believes the journey of the Empres Eugenie to Rome to be postponed.

Paris, Dec. 22.-It is rumored that an other conspiracy has been discovered in Madrid, and that General Prim is at the head

General Dix will have an interview with the Emperor Napoleon to-morrow. All the attaches of the United States Legation will

PRUSSIA. Bentin, Dec. 21.—The Prussian House o Deputies has passed a bill to incorporate Schleswig-Holstein with the Kingdom of

Mr. Wright, the United States Minister, is ecovering from his recent illness.

PINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL London, Dec. 22.—Consols, 89 3-4; Illi-nois Central, 79 1-2; Eric, 46 3-4; Fivetwenties, 72 1-4.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 22.—Cotton steady; midflings, 14 1-2d. [LATER]

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—The steamship Manhattan, from New York December 12th, ar rived at Queenstown to-day, and left for this

Sr. Perenssung. Dec. 23 .- The St. Peters. burg Journal, in an editorial, puts an emphatic denial upon the reports that Russia and Austria are at variance upon any subect, and asserts as strongly that their relations are in all respects of a most friendly character.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 23.—The old differences concerning the Scheldt dues have been renewed, and the Governments of Belgium and Holland are at open issue upon the sul ject. An attempt is, however, being made to settle the question by diplomacy, with

shat result is yet problematical.

BERMS, Dec. 23.—The Upper House of the Prussian Diet has agreed to the budget as amended by the Lower Branch.

[COMMERCIAL.] Lavenroot, Dec. 23.-In the occurrence of the Christmas holidays there will be no commercial transactions in his city and market until Wednesday pext

FINANCIAL. LONDON, Dec. 23 .- The Stock Exchange closed until Wednesday on account of the holidays.

Affray in Manuas. JUNCTION CITY, KARBAR, Dec. 23.—A shooting affray occurred at Ogden, eight miles from here, yesterday, in which the city marshal was killed by a soldier of the 7th cavalry, and two soldiers of the same regiment were shot in return by the citizens.

Naval Changes

New York, Dec. 23.—The Ocean Queen brings Panama papers to the 13th inst. Admiral Dahlgren had assumed command of the South Pacific squadron, vice Pearson, relieved. Capt. Green takes command of the Powhatan, vice Davenport. A Woman Shot in the Leg-

Buffalo, Dec. 23.—Three roughs came over from Canada to-day, and while on Canal street shot a woman in the leg with a pistol. They escaped, but are known. California Steamer In. New York, Dec. 23.—The Santiago de Cuba, from Graytown, with California pas-sengers, arrived to-day.

The Congressional Exercision.

Characters, Dec. 23.—The Congressional delegation arrived this morning. A committee mot them at Athens, ninety miles above here last night. On their arrival they were met by a committee of reception, who escorted them to the Crutchfield house, where rooms were provided. After a few hours rest the delegation was formally received by the Mayor. After breakfasting part of the delegation went to Lookout Mountain, and part to the National Cemetery. At noon the whole party embarked on a steamboat, and steamed down the Tennessee river to "Buck," a point of natural curiosity, where the river forces its way through two mountains. Returning to the city, they were met by the delegation from Nasbville, and escorted to the Crutchfield house where an elegant supper awaited them. The reception was arranged by men of all parties, without respect to previous political affinities. Much enthusiasm was manifested.

Col. Sloss, President Nashville and Decatur Railroad, very generously offered the freedom of his read to Col. Markhand which

tur Railroad, very generously offered the was accepted. Party leaves Nashville for Decatur to-morrow night. While here Gen. Gustavus W. Smith called and paid his respects to the party, and invited Senstors Foster and Ramsay, and Gen. Howard and Col. Markland to his house, which they accepted.

From New York. New York, Dec. 23.—A Dublin letter to the Sunday News says, the government officials are frequently sold by stories that Stephens has landed at different points on the coast, thus keeping the troops and gunboats constantly on the move.

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Phoshix Park in which is situated the government powder magazine, has been surrounded by heavily manned earthworks, and Dublin Castle is protected by newly built palisades. Troops are continually arriving from England, and suspected Irish regiments are transported to England and the Colonies, despite all the exertions of the authorities, and patrols of the military, midnight meetings for drill and exercise are held all over Ireland, and the people evidently are determinedly awaiting Stephens' arrival to rise in spite of the great odds against them.

Wm. McGann and Robert Chambers were yesterday sent to jail in default of \$10,000 ball, on a charge of defrauding B. Mordy of \$8,000 at faro.

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James Byrne was yesterday held in \$5,000 bail for seducing Jennie Pullman.

John R. Wigan has been sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years for robbing the post office. Some half dozen counterfeiters received a like sentence.

The New England societies in Bergen and other neighboring cities celebrated Forefathers' Day last evening by dining on pork and beans and other New England luxuries.

The Turks and Cretans.

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New York, Dec. 23.—Mail advices from Candia give the details of the disaster to the Turks at the Convent of Arcadion. The convent contained 540 souls, including 343 women and children, leaving 197 men defending it against Mustapho Pascha's army of 12,000. The Cretans refused to surrender and the Turks bombarded the convent two days and nights. After breaking the walls the Turks poured into the court of the convent, but the Christians continued to defend themselves from the cells, and finally a monk fired 4the magazine, hurling Christians and Turks into the air. Two thousand Turks were killed and large numbers wounded, and only 39 men and 60 women and children of the garrison were left alive. Over 1,000 wounded Turks had arrived at the hospitals from this explosion. The Turks had burned seven Cretan villages, in revenge for which the Cretans had burned 27 Turkish villages.

South America.

New York, Dec. 23.—It is stated that three more iron-clads have joined the Bra-zilian fleet.

zilian fleet.

The Emperor of Brazil has emancipated all his slaves.

The United States gunboat Shamokin had reached Cunizer, with Minister Washburn and suite on board. They landed and were provided with an escort to the capital of Paraguay.

Paraguay.

The mediation proposed by Chili and Bo-livia has been refused by the Argentine gov

ernment.

A Valparaiso letter of November 17 says
that the bark Fanny, of London, with eighteen Parrott guns on board for the Chillan
government, is forty days over due. The
ship Tecumseh, with several Blakely
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Five more Unfortunates Twelve Bicamers Gene. Foreithers Day in New York.

New York, Dec. 23.—Five whiskey distilleries were seized yesterday in this city.

Twelve ocean steamers left this port yesterday afternoon for different parts of the world, taking an aggregate of 700 passengers, and cargoes valued at over \$5,000,000.

Christ Church at Rye, Westchester county, was burned on Friday night. Loss \$25,000.

At the New England Societies féstival in this city last night, speeches were made by ex-Governor Morgan, Governor Bullock, of Mass. Gov. Smith, of New Hampshire, Gov. Burnside, of Rhode Island, ex-Governor Buckingham, and Gov. Hawley, of Conn. Henry Ward Beacher, James T. Brady, Gov. Yates, of Illinois, Rev. Mr. Hepsworth and others.

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New ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—The steamer Mexico, from Vera Cruz on the 20th, arrived o-day.
'The Times' City of Mexico dispatch of the The Times' City of Mexico dispatch of the 18th says: Maximilian has determined not to abdicate just yet, and had issued a proclamation for a Congress of the Mexican people to consider further the government of the country. The Empire has been divided into four divisions, with Generals Vidaurril, Mejia, Miramon, and Marquez in command. Max. has changed his headquarters to Puebla. Ten millions of dollars and forty thousand men have been raised to support the Empire. The French have declared for non-intervention, and seized the customs at Vera Cruz. tion, and seized the customs at Vera Cruz.

Galveston News.

Galveston, Texas, Dec. 22.—The first rail of the Galveston city railroad was laid to-day. The Mayor, City Council, Major. B. Rush Plumby, and others officiated.

The dispatch steamer Blackbird goes to Brazos this evening.

The receipts of cotton for the week were 5,793 bales. Sales 600 bales.

The steamer Ruthven, from Trinity, brought 800 bales this morning; low middling, 22. Wool.—Receipts for the week 68 bales. Total cotton receipts, including September, 41,014 bales. A well-informed person estimates the crop at not less than 150,000 bales.

Fire at Newport, Me.

Bosrox, Dec. 22.—A fire occurred in the town of Newport, Me., early yesterday morning, burning several bouses and destroying most of the business portion of the place. It broke out in the wooden building occupied by Watson, Coak & Zezas, and swept the buildings as far as Bridge street, a distance of forty rods. The Masonic Hall and furniture were destroyed. There was no fire-engine in the town.

The Amendment.

Charleston, Dec. 20.—The constitutions amendment was rejected yesterday by th House—98 nays to 1 yes.

New Onneaus, Det. II.—Get. Cherman has reported to Washington his view of the situation of affairs in Mexico. From expressions dropped by him it is evident that he is disappointed as to the popularity of Juarea's party, and fully admits that there are so many rival factions and interest that America intervention in Mexico is very American intervention in Mexico is very distasteful. He has, however, only mixed with the Imperial party on the frontier, and he feels that his views may change after interviews with the people of the interior, who are mostly Liberal. The French officials treated him with courtesy, bordering on significant

treated him with courtesy, bordering on civility.

It is positive that Juarez, who is supposed to be at Chihushua, has been requested to meet Campbell at San Luis Potosi about the 15th of January.

As soon as Sherman receives further instructions he will return to Maxico.

NEW ORLEASS, Dec. 21.—General Sherman will leave for the West to-morrow.

Minister Campbell has gone to Monterey, and will swait Juarez in that part of the country.

Peru and Chill.

New York, Dec. 23.—A report of do-ful authenticity is in circulation that United States steamer Lancaster had for

Drived States steamer Lancaster and found-ered near Cape Horn.

Peru and Chili had determined to reject the terms of mediation proposed by France and England. Spain must salute their flag, abandon her claims, and return the three million dellars received from Pezet's gov-

million dollars received from reachs government.

Preparations for the war continue. A treaty, offensive and defensive, had been formed between Bolivia and Paraguay. The former is to supply twenty-five thousand troops, and carry the war into Brazil.

The Chilian courts have declared the Spanish vessel Thalaba, captured in July last a lawful prize.

ast, a lawful prize.

The difficulties between the government and clergy in Bogota have been estiled Commerce, however, was dull, and discon tent reigned. Indeed, revolution at Antis quia ggainst Mosquera was spoken of.

Heavy Robbery.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—Last night the safe in the store of William G. Cochrane was broken open and robbed of \$40,000 in coupon bonds, and \$50,000 in stocks.

The fire-proof was enclosed in a brick wall thirteen inches in thickness, and a hele large enough to admit a man was made in the wall, and the inside of the fire-proof was completely ransacked. The burglars are supposed to have been secreted in the store at its closing. The securities are principally coupon bonds of the Schnylkill Railroad Company, Camden and Amboy and Lehigh Valley railroads. The following are the numbers of the certificates of stock of the Lehigh Valley railroad: Nos. 3,550, one hundred shares; 3,510, two hundred shares; 3,810, one hundred shares; 3,510, two hundred shares; 3,510, one hundred shares; certificate number twenty-three C, in the name of Cochrane & Gowan; seventy-five shares Sprace and Pine streets railroad, Philadelphia.

From Reston. Boston, Dec. 22.—A fire in Fourth street, South Boston, early this morning, destroyed two houses, ownod by James Burnes and Mary A. Donovan, and occupied by numer-our families. Burnes' loss \$1,000; insured for \$1,000. Mrs. Donovan's loss \$600; fully insured.

insured.

A fight occurred about eleven o'clock today, at a house of ill-fame, No. 4 Alden street, and Alice Lane, the keeper of the place, shot a girl in the side, injuring her seriously. The injured girl was taken to the City Hospital, and the assailant arrested.

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The Brazilian War with Paraguay. New YORK, Dec. 23.—Hio Janeiro letters of November 26 state that no further collision had occurred between the Paraguayans and Brazilians. In the fight of October 30, at Terguty, after repulsing the Paraguayans the Brazilians sallied out from the fort, but were surrounded and hadly cut an lesion were surrounded. were surrounded and badly cut up, losing some six hundred in killed and wounded, be

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The gunboat Paranayba was badly dam-aged by the Paraguayans on October 29, and was compelled to run ashore to prevent sinking.

From Buffalo

Beyfalo, Dec. 23.—A portion of the Court Street Market wall fell this merning; luckily no one injured.

The trains on the Buffalo and Erie railroad have been blocked by snow, but they are beginning to work through. The passenger train that left Chicago Thursday was detained at Westfield until to-day. There were at one time concentrated there 16 passenger cars, 6 express cars, 4 baggage cars, and 3 locomotives. There are yet to come 12 freight trains, including 116 carrying stock.

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Louisville, Dec. 22.—Sales of 62 hhds. of tobacco at full prices. Superfine flour at 89.50; prime winter wheat 2.75; corn shelled in bulk, 70c., in the ear, 60a62 1.2; cats 65; cotton dull at 30 1.2 for low midding; New Orleans sugar 11 1.2a12; fair plantation molasses, 70c.; hogs, 6.25; receipts 4,100 head; total receipts during the week 110,000 head; mess pork, \$20; lard in tierces, 13 1.2c; whisky in bond 28c., free nominal.

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Wassington, Dec. 19, 1866.

Editor Boston Post:—Sir: I beg very respectfully to call your attention to the enclosed paragraph, going the rounds of the papers, copied from the Post:

"Is Mas. Suraart's House Hausted!—There is a three-story brick tenement in the middle of a block fronting upon one of Washington's lesser thoroughfares that is making itself peculiarly obnoxious to timid people, and ridiculous among the stouter hearted. The building in question is none other than that belonging to Mrs. Burratt. In the course of settlement of her estate, the house in question was offered for sale, and even them the public seemed shy and indifferent to the purchase, and so it came that a property worth, by moderate comparison, \$10,000, fell under the hammer at the insignificant sum of \$4,000. The new landlord, therefore, instituted such improvements as entirely changed the aspect of the property, and all but transferred its site, and in course of time came a tenant, but not to remain. In less than six weeks the lessee had flown from beneath the roof, forfeiting his year's rental, and was ready to swear, with chattering teeth, that his nervous system was \$2,2^0\$ tered for a lifetime. Others succees do to the occupancy of the house had, vacated, in turn, to make a shuddering exit. Mrs. Surratt's house is haunted. There can be no reasonable doubt upon the subject. She herself persists in tre-ding its halls, and perambulating the pre-nizes, in the dead of night, clad in those selfsame robes of serge in which she suffered the penalty of the law. In costume she differs from the "woman in white" unmistakably, but that the general effect is none the less thrilling, and altogether fatal to the composure of the observer is positively averred by each successive occupant of the mansion."—Wash. Cor. Boston Post.

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Nashynle, Dec. 21.—R. S. Stanford, State Treasurer, concerning whose conduct in laning the school fund to banks in Memphis the legislative investigation was made, has reigned, the resignation to take effect on the 1st of January.

For the first time in 30 years New York exchange has been in favor of Nashville bankers. They buy at one-half cent discount and sell at par.

A magnificent and costly bouquet was to day expressed to Mrs. Lincoln at Springfield, Illinois, as a Christmas offering, in token of appreciation of herself and her noble here and sell at par.

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